



# Austin Community Roundtable

October 2020



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# Community

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# Agenda

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- 02 LISC Corridor Manager Announcement
- 03 Neighborhood Opportunity Fund open (until 11/6)
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# Our City, Our Safety

*A comprehensive plan to reduce violence in Chicago*

**Invest South/West Community Roundtable: Austin**

**Norman Kerr, Director of Violence Reduction**

This document lays out the comprehensive plan for the City of Chicago's violence reduction work through 2023, with the goal of sustainably reducing violence and making Chicago a city where everyone is and feels safe.



### Empower and Heal People

Ensure that all residents can pursue opportunities to thrive without fear of violence by providing prevention and intervention supports that are available to individuals of all ages and levels of risk. ■

Increase capacity and service quality of gun violence, domestic violence, diversion, and victim services programs

Expand access to jobs and housing for those impacted by violence

Expand supportive programming for youth at highest risk of violence involvement

Increase knowledge of services through public awareness campaigns in communities of need



### Protect and Secure Places

Reduce the "safety gap" between safer communities and those most affected by violence by reclaiming public places as safe spaces within communities and by promoting community wellbeing with stable housing, amenities, commerce, and opportunities. ■

Invest in place-based programming and services

Revitalize neighborhood economies



### Improve and Advance Policing

Increase police legitimacy in communities where trust has eroded by ensuring humane, effective, and constitutional law enforcement practices and by fully implementing the spirit and letter of the consent decree and related reforms. ■

Acknowledge and remedy past harms between the Chicago Police Department and communities they serve

Deliver best practice reforms to police policy and operations, consistent with the consent decree

Improve workforce management including officer wellness, recruitment, hiring, retention, and promotion

Assess the types of needs where police may need additional training and/or rely on other resources as first or co-responders



### Affect Public Policy

Ensure that laws and policies that govern the city reflect the values, aspirations, and safety of residents by collaborating with stakeholders to implement local policy, and advocate for state and federal policy and legislation related to public safety and violence prevention, with a special focus on criminal justice reform, gun regulation, and equitable quality of life. ■

Participate in local and national collaboratives to elevate policy positions

Advocate for and support equity-focused legislation and policy

Collaborate with State and County partners to align and coordinate policy efforts



### Plan and Coordinate

Facilitate the development of realistic, actionable plans by promoting alignment on strategy and action among public, private, and community-based efforts to prevent and reduce violence, and by ensuring a citywide commitment to rigorous planning and consistent coordination. ■

Facilitate coordination among City departments and sister agencies

Establish, facilitate, and participate in coordination tables, networks, and coalitions

Utilize data to drive decision-making

Improve referral mechanisms and linkages for programs and services

Establish and promote standardized practices to improve coordination among partners

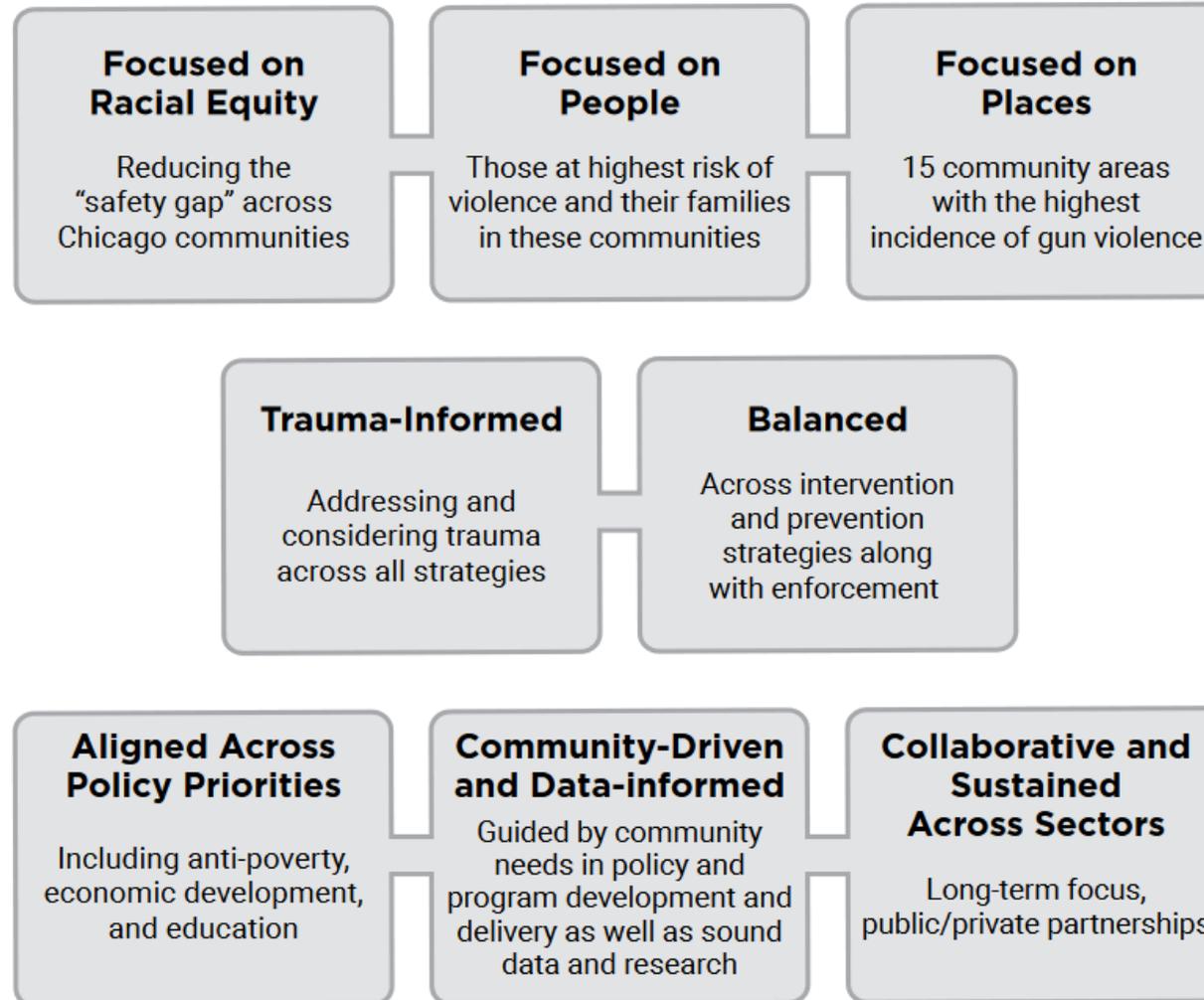
Provide needed technical support to grow capacity for partners and providers

Engage community in decision and policy making

### — Outcome Indicators —

- ▶ The "Safety Gap" – the difference in rate of shootings and homicides in community areas with highest and lowest levels, while not decreasing safety in safer community areas.
- ▶ Number of serious victimizations (fatal and non-fatal shootings) and reported violent crimes (victim and incident counts)
- ▶ Community perception of safety, trust in law enforcement, and connectedness with City government

# Guiding Principles





# Key takeaways

- Addressing root causes is key to reducing violence
- City aims to support those at highest risk of violence involvement (perpetrators and victims)
  - Street Outreach – Institute for Nonviolence Chicago (INVC)
  - Victim Services – Institute for Nonviolence Chicago (INVC)
- Focusing on improving coordination and building capacity
- Supporting community-led work that is already ongoing
- Connecting with other initiatives (ISW)



# Q&A

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# Corridor Manager Announcement



# Neighborhood Opportunity Fund Open for Applications

# NOF Small Grants Application Updates

- **Project Readiness Quiz** completed 1,488 times in the first week
  - 1,183 unique email addresses
  - 22% of email addresses completed the quiz more than once (highest was 6x's)
- Application period ends **Friday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00PM**
  - To apply, visit <https://Chicago.gov/NOF>

# SBIF Open in Austin

The Small Business Improvement Fund will be accepting applications for the **Austin Commercial TIF** districts from Oct 1 – Oct 30

SBIF will introduce an ordinance shortly that will prioritize those small business applicants located on ISW Corridors.

[somer.com/sbif](http://somer.com/sbif)



*Austin Commercial TIF District*

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# Laramie Bank RFP Updates

## Requests for Proposals (RFPs)

Through the Department of Planning and Development (DPD), the City of Chicago offers to qualified development teams and nonprofit organizations the opportunity to submit proposals for opportunity sites in the INVEST South/West neighborhoods listed below.

838-58 W. 79th St.



### [Auburn Gresham RFP](#)

The nearly 23,000-square-foot-site consists of six parcels of vacant land owned by the City. The RFP seeks their redevelopment with a high-quality, mixed-use project that includes ground-floor commercial spaces and residential uses above.

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5200-24 W. Chicago Ave.



### [Austin RFP](#)

The approximately 34,200 square-foot site on the northwest corner of Chicago and Laramie avenues includes five vacant lots and the vacant, 14,340-square-foot Laramie State Bank building, a designated Chicago Landmark. The RFP seeks the mixed-use rehabilitation of the former bank and new construction on the adjacent land.

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6200 block South Green Street, 914 W. 63rd St.



### [Englewood RFP](#)

The 4.28-acre site consists of two packages: Site B1/B2 and Site C. The sites are being offered as the second phase of the adjacent Englewood Square I project, which is a Whole Foods-anchored shopping center at Halsted and 63rd streets. The goal of the RFP is to establish a vibrant, walkable, mixed-use town center that includes residential and commercial uses.

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# Next Steps

- Chicago & Lockwood opening Oct 24th
- SBIF Fund applications close Oct 30th
- NOF Fund applications close Nov 6th
- November Roundtable Nov 20th @ 12pm
- Laramie Bank RFPs Due Nov 24th

If DPD West Region team has not talked to you recently

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